DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.
9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.
10. Prospects of season; tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.
11. Public health.
12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

	Normal.	*Current.*
Prices of food grains—Rice	... 10 to 11	6½ to 7
Ragi	... 25 to 30	16 to 17

All the standing crops are withering.
Want of rain is much felt.
Cattle are in good condition.
Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Standing crops sown first are in good condition. Ragi is being harvested and ground nuts being dug up. The later sown crops show signs of fading and are in need of immediate rain. The probable outturn of crops now being harvested is 8 annas.

10. Rain is badly wanted throughout the district.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder are available

KOLAR.

8. Market well supplied.

9 Standing crops, *viz.*, ragi, paddy, sugar-cane and kulthi are in fairly good condition, but are withering for want of rain, particularly the later sown crops. In some parts of Kolar and Malur the dry crops are attacked by caterpillars. Paddy in Kolar, Sidlaghatta and Gudibanda, millet and Bengal gram in Goribidnur, and mentya in Gudibanda are being sown. Samé in Kolar, Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Goribidnur and Srinivaspur; ragi in Kolar, Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Gudibanda are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season depend upon the early fall of rain, the want of which is felt throughout.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder available.

TUMKUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Ragi in Tumkur, Maddagiri, Sira, Kunigal, Pavagada and Turuvekere; navane in Maddagiri, cholum in Sira and Pavagada, and sugar-cane in Sira and Turuvekere are being harvested. Cholum in Maddagiri, Sira, Pavagada and Turuvekere, and Bengal gram in Sira, Kunigal and Turuvekere are being sown. Standing crops such as ragi, ballar, togari, gram, castor, savé, paddy, sugar-cane cholum, navane, sajje, haraka, black gram, wild gingelly, chillies and tadagani are reported to be withering for want of rain.

10. Prospects of the season not very encouraging. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and pasture available.

MYSORE.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Lands in parts of Hunsur are being ploughed and made ready for sowing Bengal gram. Paddy and sugar-cane crops under tanks and channels are reported to be good. The standing dry crops are reported to be fair in Mysore, Hunsur, Yedatore, Heggaddevankote, Nanjangud, Malvalli and Krishnarajpete, and in other parts they are reported to be in want of rain. Sugar-cane in Krishnarajpete and kar-paddy in Hunsur are being harvested. The dry crops in parts of Chamrajnagar are reported to have been attacked by insects. The yield of the harvested kar-paddy in Hunsur is estimated at 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season good. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient. The dry crops are reported to be in want of rain in most taluks.

11. Public health is good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder available.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied. Price of rice rose during the week owing to the stock getting somewhat scanty.

9. Standing crops, *viz.*, paddy, sugar-cane, pigeon-pea, chillies, kulthi, cow gram, wild gingelly, etc., in Hassan and Belur and paddy in Manjarabad and Arkalgud are reported to be in good condition. The standing crops in Alur are not thriving and those in Arsikere, Channarayapatna and Hole-Narsipur are reported to be withering for want of rain. Castor in Arsikere and ragi in Channarayapatna are reported to be attacked by insects. Holabhatta and sugar-cane in Hassan; ragi in parts of Manjarabad and Channarayapatna, and paddy in the malnad portions of Arkalgud are being harvested. In Channarayapatna preparations for sowing Bengal gram are going on, while in Arkalgud the sowing of Bengal gram and mentya is delayed for want of rain. The following is the present probable outturn :—

Hassan	...	Holabhatta	... from 4 to 8 annas.
Belur	...	Sugar-cane	... do 8 to 12 do
	...	Paddy	... do 8 to 12 do
	..	Sugar-cane	... do 8 to 12 do
Arkalgud	...	Paddy (under harvest)	... do 8 to 12 do
Alur Sub-Taluk	...	Standing crops	... do 8 to 12 do
Arsikere	...	Do	.. do 8 to 12 do
Hole-Narsipur	...	Do	... do 6 to 8 do if no rainfalls shortly.

10. Prospects fair. One or two showers are required for standing crops. Food stocks are sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally good, except for small-pox reported to be prevalent in parts of Channarayapatna and Arkalgud.

12. Cattle generally healthy. Water, pasture and fodder are generally available except in parts of Kanakatte hobli in the Arsikere Taluk where water and pasture are reported to be scanty.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied, except in Channagiri, but prices are high throughout.

9. The standing crops *viz.*, sugar-cane and kulthi in the Shimoga Taluk, sugar-cane in the Sagar and Nagar Taluks, paddy in Tirthahall, and sugar-cane and paddy in Kumsi are reported to be in pretty good condition. The paddy crop under channels in the Channagiri and Shikarpur Taluks and in the low marshy grounds of the Sagar Taluk is in good condition. Elsewhere it has withered for want of rain. Paddy and ragi are being reaped in the Shimoga Taluk, and ragi and millet have been harvested in Channagiri. Cardamom has been picked up in Sagar, and arecanut is being picked in Sagar and Tirthahalli. The outturn of all the crops has been affected by the failure of timely rains. Bengal gram and great millet have been sown in the Honnali Taluk.

10. More rain is wanted throughout. Want of water for drinking purposes is beginning to be felt in Shikarpur and Kumsi. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally fair.

12. Fodder and water available for the present.

KADUR.

8. Market fairly supplied.

9. Bengal gram in Tarikere and cholum and Bengal gram in Kadur are being sown. The standing crops of sugar-cane, arecanut and coffee are good in Koppa; ragi, coffee and cardamom are good in Mudgere, and sugar-cane and ragi are fair in Chikmagalur. The paddy crop throughout the district is in need of rain. The crops are fading for want of rain in parts of Kadur. Ragi and cardamom in Mudgere, cholum, paddy and ragi in Tarikere, cardamom and arecanut in Koppa, paddy in Yedahalli and arecanut in Sringeri are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season fair. More rain is needed throughout the district. Food stocks are available and reported to be sufficient.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Fodder available in all the taluks except Kadur where it is reported to be scanty.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. More rain is wanted for the standing dry crops which are reported to be withering especially in the taluks of Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Hagalur and Hosdurga. The harvesting of cholum, ragi and navane is going on in the Davangere Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season fair. Food stocks available.

11. Public health good.

12. Cattle healthy. Fodder and water are available in limited quantities.

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